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Sent: 2/12/2018 1:16:39 PM
To: Salkie, Diane [salkie.diane@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Questions about the Passaic R

Diane,

I'm going to need to focus on the two memos today. Can you get this invite set up and take the lead on getting the team to help us with the draft responses to the questions?

From: ESC [mailto:environsc@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, February 09, 2018 10:39 AM
To: Salkie, Diane <Salkie.Diane@epa.gov>
Cc: Sivak, Michael <Sivak.Michael@epa.gov>; debbie@nynjbaykeeper.org; Ana Baptista <baptista@newschool.edu>; doug@forumfg.com; LaPoma, Jennifer <LaPoma.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Yeh, Alice <Yeh.Alice@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Questions about the Passaic R

Diane
The 3-4 time on Monday the 12th is good.
Please include Ana
Thanks
Peter

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 9, 2018, at 10:14 AM, Salkie, Diane <Salkie.Diane@epa.gov> wrote:

Good morning Peter

We have time on Monday (2/12) to have a discussion concerning your questions below. We are available from either 12:00 – 1:00 or 3:00 – 4:00 on Monday otherwise I can set up a time later in the week. Please let me know if any of these times work for you.

Thank you,
Diane Salkie
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From: ESC [mailto:environsc@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2018 4:53 PM
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Michael,

Exactly as I expected. Maybe tonight we can set a time to talk next week. I have to be ready for CSTAG in 3 weeks.

All best,
Peter

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 8, 2018, at 3:55 PM, Sivak, Michael <Sivak.Michael@epa.gov> wrote:

Peter,

Thanks for the note, and for providing some of your questions for me to start thinking about. As you may have guessed by now, I haven't had time today to reply to you, so perhaps we can begin to talk tonight, and continue our conversation after the meeting, when some of your questions will (hopefully) be answered! For those that aren't, we can follow up either tomorrow or next week.

I hope that works for you. See you tonight.

Michael Sivak
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From: Environmental Stewardship Concepts LLC [<mailto:environsc@gmail.com>]
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Subject: Questions about the Passaic R

Michael,

I am back on task with the Passaic R. CAG and have been talking with the folks about the EPA presentations and the CPG materials that were sent to Debbie Mans. I have a few technical questions, and some are too much into the technical weeds to raise in the open CAG meeting:

- I am not clear on the origin of the two sediment clean-up numbers: 300 ppt TCDD and 1 ppm PCB. What is the source of these and how do they compare with other sites and the lower Passaic R.
- Do the human health and ecological endpoints include all the COPC's? (PAHs, Hg, DDX).
- Do the ecological endpoints/HQ's address rare and endangered and protected species such as Atlantic and Short Nose sturgeon, marine mammals, etc.?
- The numbers on slide 4 of EPA's CSM presentation are not perfectly clear in terms of what the mean values represent and the basis for them. The part that is not perfectly clear is the comparison between the mean values for the two rows of upper 9 miles v the entire 17.4 mi section of the river.
- The CPG proposes "performance measures" in PMP's but there is little explanation of what these measures are and how they will function in

practice. I am familiar with PMP's from the Delaware River TMDL for PCBs, which are applied to facilities, not clean-ups.

- In 2012, EPA published an RfD for dioxin non-cancer health effects, and listed same in the IRIS database. How will the RfD be used?
- There was another round of sediment data, I think, and we need to see those data at your earliest.

Thanks and I know you are busy getting ready for tonight, and may have little chance for detailed reply at this time, but Debbie said that your office was open to questions and you are the best person for mine.

All best,

Peter

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